MR. A. N. VISVANATHA PILLAI (*Quilon* cum *Kurunagapalli*) : തെങ്ങുകൾക്കു ഈ സുഖക്കേടു തുടങ്ങിയിട്ടു എത്ര കാലമായി എന്നു പറയാമോ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN : നല്ല നിശ്ചയമില്ല.

MR. A. N. VISVANATHA PILLAI : പൊതുവെയുള്ള കേരവൃക്ഷങ്ങളുടെ എത്രയിലൊരംശത്തിനു ഈ സുഖക്കേടു ബാധിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നു പറയാമോ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN : ചില താലൂക്കുകളിലൊക്കെയുണ്ടു്.

MR. A. N. VISVANATHA PILLAI : ആ താലൂക്കുകളിൽ എത്ര ഏക്കറിൽ ഇതു ബാധിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നു പറയാമോ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN : നിശ്ചയമില്ല.

MR. KOCHIKAL P. BALAKRISHNAN TAMPI: (*Mavelikara and Karikapalli* cum *Kunnattur*) : Is the work of the Mycologist merely experimental and scientific and so not capable of any spectacular effect ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN : Attempts are made to root out the evil.

MR. KOCHIKAL P. BALAKRISHNAN TAMPI : Has any remedy been found in any part of the world to root out the cocoanut pest ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN : Remedial measures are being found out.

Representations from the ryots of Nanjinad re *imposition of enhanced tax.*

7. MR. V. S. ARUMUKHAM PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received representations from the ryots of Nanjinad, complaining about exaction of tax in excess of what is legitimately due from them on account of an error committed by the Government in the process of adjusting the *para* measurement in terms of Nanjinad *kotta* , and

(*b*) the action taken by them in this matter ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Acting Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) . (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The matter is under consideration.

MR. V. S. ARUMUKHAM PILLAI : May I know how long has it been under the consideration of Government ?

MR. K. GEORGE : The last report on the subject was received by Government on the 15th Edavam. Since then, it is under due consideration.

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MR. V. S. ARUMUKHAM PILLAI: May I know whether any recommendation has been made by the Economic Depression Enquiry Committee about the exaction of tax?

MR. K. GEORGE: I am unable to say.

Introduction of Village Panchayat Union in Bhutapandy.

8. MR. V. S. ARUMUKHAM PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received any representation from the residents of Bhutapandy *pakuthi* protesting against the introduction of the Village Panchayat Union; and

(*b*) the action taken by them in this matter?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Government have decided that the Village Panchayat established at Bhutapandy may be tried for a year and that at the end of the year the question of its abolition or continuance may be considered in the light of its working during the period.

MR. V. S. ARUMUKHAM PILLAI: What is the object of Government in starting an experiment when the people are against it?

MR A. KUMARA PILLAI: Not all; only some of them are against the introduction of Village Panchayat Unions.

MR. V. S. ARUMUKHAM PILLAI: Is it a fact that the majority are against it?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI: After the Panchayat was instituted, Government received a representation that some people are against it.

Accommodation for pupils in the Vernacular School at Pulimat.

9. MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI: (*Chirayinkil* cum *Nedumangad*). With reference to the working of the Vernacular school at Pulimat in Chirayinkil taluk, will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the present strength of the school:

(*b*) the total area of the class rooms in square feet:

(*c*) whether the total area of the class rooms provide accommodation to all the pupils, and, if not, for how many

(*d*) whether the school was closed for any extraordinary reasons during 1108 M. E. and if so, for how many days and for what reason

(*e*) whether there was any representation made for providing more accommodation in the school, and, if so, when the earliest representation was received and what action has been taken thereon; and

(*f*) the total strength of the school in the previous school year?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): (*a*) 302 (on the 19th August 1933).

(*b*) 1,280 square feet.

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